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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of March 8, 2005. Applicant elects without traverse to prosecute Group Ih comprising Claims 14-15 drawn to an acoustic transducer like that of claim 1 wherein the sleeve is made of a material having a specified bulk sound speed relative to that of the core material. Further, within Group Ih, Applicant elects without traverse to prosecute the species identified at p. 4, ll. 9-10, in which claim 14 reads thereon.

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Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, he is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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